I strongly oppose HB6618, wherein the state of Connecticut would provide funding for abortions for out-of-state women. Not only do I oppose abortion on moral grounds - we are all created in God's image and He determines life and death - but also on financial grounds.

Why is it important for us to use our tax money to murder children? And not only that, children from other states? Whether or not you agree with abortion, at the very least, our money should be used for Connecticut residents only.

This bill would also encourage sex trafficking. Connecticut's permissive abortion laws, which require neither parental consent or notification, are welcoming to the men and women who traffic underage sex workers and victims. These young women may be brought to Connecticut and pressured to receive "free" abortions and housing by the people who control them. Protected against coerced abortions in their own state, they become victimized in Connecticut.

When Connecticut pays for the abortions and travel expenses of out-of-state women, will they also pay for the emergency services when those abortions go horribly wrong? Will Connecticut pay for hospital care of infants born alive?

This bill is wrong on many levels and will result in deadly consequences, literally and financially. Our state can, and should, do better. Please support life and vote "no" on this bill.

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